

RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANT FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) announces grant funding availability through the Recycling Market Development Program (RMDP).

- **Grant Proposals will be accepted beginning August 29, 2016.**
- **Grant funding requests may range from \$1,000 up to \$500,000, with a 50 percent required match.**
- **Deadline for proposals is October 17, 2016.**

Proposal Review and Selection

Process

Selection of proposals for presentation to the Board will be made based on the program objectives and priorities determined by the RMDP selection team. The selection team will be comprised of IDEM staff with past experience reviewing RMDP grant recipients. The team will consider a number of factors in the decision-making process. The proposals deemed eligible and complete will be forwarded to the Board for funding consideration and approval.

Selection Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria listed in Attachment A. Each proposal will be given a numerical score, and if eligible and complete, will be forwarded to the Board.

Reward Notification

IDEM anticipates notification to the *successful* applicant(s) will be made via email or postal mail. The notification will advise the applicant that the proposed project has been successfully evaluated and recommended for award consideration. The notification will be made to the original signer of the proposal.

The notification that the applicant's proposed project has been recommended to the Board for award consideration is **not a funding award or** an authorization to begin implementing the project. The project must have the final approval of the Board, after which will then begin the state contract process. This process can take up to eight weeks.